

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS19967

This proposal amends Idaho Code section 31-3201B, to increase the Peace Officers Standards and Training (POST) fee from ten dollars (\$10.00) to eleven dollars and fifty cents (\$11.50).

POST lacks sufficient funding to meet its needs given its current mission. Dedicated funding sources initially established for POST are no longer adequate.

POST receives dedicated funding pursuant to Idaho Code sections 31-3201A and 31-3201B. Funding under 31-3201A is based on a percentage of various fees charged by the courts and accounts for approximately 24% of POST's total revenues. Though the source is a relatively small portion of POST's total revenues, it has been both stable and increasing in recent years.

Funding under 31-3201B is based on a set \$10.00 fee charged to any individual found guilty of a felony, misdemeanor, or traffic, conservation or ordinance violation. This source accounts for approximately 72% of POST's total revenue and has declined in recent years.

FY2009 - \$2,944,692

FY2010 - \$2,538,660

This revenue source declined by \$406,062 or nearly 14% between FY2009 and FY2010. Early indicators in FY2011 are for continued decline.

FISCAL NOTE

The proposed increase would generate an additional \$386,800 in POST revenues, restoring POST funding to nearly the FY2009 level without impacting either the general fund or any other agency's funding stream.

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